

Substitute Bill No. 1153

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## AN ACT REPEALING THE SALES AND USE TAX ON PATIENT CARE SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (2) of section 12-407 of the general statutes is 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 3 (2) "Sale" and "selling" mean and include: (a) Any transfer of title, exchange or barter, conditional or otherwise, in any manner or by any 5 means whatsoever, of tangible personal property for a consideration; 6 (b) any withdrawal, except a withdrawal pursuant to a transaction in foreign or interstate commerce, of tangible personal property from the 8 place where it is located for delivery to a point in this state for the 9 purpose of the transfer of title, exchange or barter, conditional or 10 otherwise, in any manner or by any means whatsoever, of the property for a consideration; (c) the producing, fabricating, processing, printing 12 or imprinting of tangible personal property for a consideration for 13 consumers who furnish either directly or indirectly the materials used 14 in the producing, fabricating, processing, printing or imprinting, 15 including, but not limited to, sign construction, photofinishing, 16 duplicating and photocopying; (d) the furnishing and distributing of 17 tangible personal property for a consideration by social clubs and 18 fraternal organizations to their members or others; (e) the furnishing, 19 preparing, or serving for a consideration of food, meals or drinks; (f) a 20 transaction whereby the possession of property is transferred but the

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seller retains the title as security for the payment of the price; (g) a transfer for a consideration of the title of tangible personal property which has been produced, fabricated or printed to the special order of the customer, or of any publication, including but not limited to, sign construction, photofinishing, duplicating and photocopying; (h) a transfer for a consideration of the occupancy of any room or rooms in a hotel or lodging house for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less; (i) the rendering of certain services for a consideration, exclusive of such services rendered by an employee for the employer, as follows: (A) Computer and data processing services, including, but not limited to, time, programming, code writing, modification of feasibility studies existing programs, and installation and implementation of software programs and systems even where such services are rendered in connection with the development, creation or production of canned or custom software or the license of custom software, and exclusive of services rendered in connection with the creation, development hosting or maintenance of all or part of a web site which is part of the graphical, hypertext portion of the Internet, commonly referred to as the World-Wide Web, (B) credit information and reporting services, (C) services by employment agencies and agencies providing personnel services, (D) private investigation, protection, patrol work, watchman and armored car services, exclusive of services of off-duty police officers and off-duty firefighters, (E) painting and lettering services, (F) photographic studio services, (G) telephone answering services, (H) stenographic services, (I) services to industrial, commercial or income-producing real property, including, but not limited to, such services as management, electrical, plumbing, painting and carpentry and excluding any such services rendered in the voluntary evaluation, prevention, treatment, containment or removal of hazardous waste, as defined in section 22a-115, or other contaminants of air, water or soil, provided income-producing property shall not include property used exclusively for residential purposes in which the owner resides and which contains no more than three dwelling units, or a housing facility for low and moderate income families and persons owned or operated by a nonprofit

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housing organization, as defined in subsection (29) of section 12-412, (J) business analysis, management, management consulting and public relations services, excluding (i) any environmental consulting services, and (ii) any training services provided by an institution of higher education licensed or accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher Education pursuant to section 10a-34, (K) services providing "piped-in" music to business or professional establishments, (L) flight instruction and chartering services by a certificated air carrier on an aircraft, the use of which for such purposes, but for the provisions of subsection (4) of section 12-410 and subsection (12) of section 12-411, would be deemed a retail sale and a taxable storage or use, respectively, of such aircraft by such carrier, (M) motor vehicle repair services, including any type of repair, painting or replacement related to the body or any of the operating parts of a motor vehicle, (N) motor vehicle parking, including the provision of space, other than metered space, in a lot having thirty or more spaces, excluding (i) space in a seasonal parking lot provided by a person who is exempt from taxation under this chapter pursuant to subsection (1), (5) or (8) of section 12-412, (ii) space in a parking lot owned or leased under the terms of a lease of not less than ten years' duration and operated by an employer for the exclusive use of its employees, (iii) valet parking provided at any airport, and (iv) space in municipally-operated railroad parking facilities in municipalities located within an area of the state designated as a severe nonattainment area for ozone under the federal Clean Air Act, (O) radio or television repair services, (P) furniture reupholstering and repair services, (Q) repair services to any electrical or electronic device, including, but not limited to, equipment used for purposes of refrigeration or air-conditioning, (R) lobbying or consulting services for purposes of representing the interests of a client in relation to the functions of any governmental entity or instrumentality, (S) services of the agent of any person in relation to the sale of any item of tangible personal property for such person, exclusive of the services of a consignee selling works of art, as defined in subsection (b) of section 12-376c, or articles of clothing or footwear intended to be worn on or about the human body other than (i) any special clothing or footwear

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primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use and which is not normally worn except when used for the athletic activity or protective use for which it was designed, and (ii) jewelry, handbags, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches and similar items carried on or about the human body but not worn on the body in the manner characteristic of clothing intended for exemption under subdivision (47) of section 12-412, under consignment, exclusive of services provided by an auctioneer, (T) locksmith services, (U) advertising or public relations services, including layout, art direction, graphic design, mechanical preparation or production supervision, not related to the development of media advertising or cooperative direct mail advertising, (V) landscaping and horticulture services, (W) window cleaning services, (X) maintenance services, (Y) janitorial services, (Z) services, (AA) swimming pool exterminating cleaning maintenance services, (BB) renovation and repair services as set forth in this subparagraph, to other than industrial, commercial or income-producing real property: Paving of any sort, painting or staining, wallpapering, roofing, siding and exterior sheet metal work, (CC) miscellaneous personal services included in industry group 729 in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, or U.S. industry 532220, 812191, 812199 or 812990 in the North American Industrial Classification System United States manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 1997 edition, exclusive of (i) services rendered by massage therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 384a, and (ii) services rendered by a hypertrichologist licensed pursuant to chapter 388, (DD) any repair or maintenance service to any item of tangible personal property including any contract of warranty or service related to any such item, and (EE) business analysis, management or managing consulting services rendered by a general partner, or an affiliate thereof, to a limited partnership, provided (i) that the general partner, or an affiliate thereof, is compensated for the rendition of such services other than through a distributive share of partnership profits or an annual percentage of partnership capital or assets established in the limited partnership's offering statement, and

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(ii) the general partner, or an affiliate thereof, offers such services to others, including any other partnership. As used in subparagraph (EE)(i) "an affiliate of a general partner" means an entity which is directly or indirectly owned fifty per cent or more in common with a general partner; [and (FF) notwithstanding the provisions of section 12-412, except subsection (87) thereof, patient care services, as defined in subsection (29) of this section by a hospital;] (j) the leasing or rental of tangible personal property of any kind whatsoever, including, but not limited to, motor vehicles, linen or towels, machinery or apparatus, office equipment and data processing equipment, provided for purposes of this subdivision and the application of sales and use tax to contracts of lease or rental of tangible personal property, the leasing or rental of any motion picture film by the owner or operator of a motion picture theater for purposes of display at such theater shall not constitute a sale within the meaning of this subsection; (k) the rendering of telecommunications service, as defined in subsection (26) of this section, for a consideration on or after January 1, 1990, exclusive of any such service rendered by an employee for the employer of such employee, subject to the provisions related to telecommunications service in accordance with section 12-407a; (l) the rendering of community antenna television service, as defined in subsection (27) of this section, for a consideration on or after January 1, 1990, exclusive of any such service rendered by an employee for the employer of such employee; (m) the transfer for consideration of space or the right to use any space for the purpose of storage or mooring of any noncommercial vessel, exclusive of dry or wet storage or mooring of such vessel during the period commencing on the first day of November in any year to and including the thirtieth day of April of the next succeeding year; (n) the sale for consideration of naming rights to any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation within the meaning of subdivision (3) of section 12-540; (o) the transfer for consideration of a prepaid telephone calling service, as defined in subsection (34) of this section, and the recharge of a prepaid telephone calling service, provided, if the sale or recharge of a prepaid telephone calling service does not take place at the retailer's place of business and an item is

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161 shipped by the retailer to the customer, the sale or recharge shall be 162 deemed to take place at the customer's shipping address, but, if such 163 sale or recharge does not take place at the retailer's place of business 164 and no item is shipped by the retailer to the customer, the sale or 165 recharge shall be deemed to take place at the customer's billing 166 address or the location associated with the customer's mobile 167 telephone number. Wherever in this chapter reference is made to the 168 sale of tangible personal property or services, it shall be construed to 169 include sales described in this subsection, except as may be specifically 170 provided to the contrary.

- Sec. 2. Subdivision (1) of section 12-411 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
  - (1) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state, the acceptance or receipt of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of section 12-407, purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state, or the storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use in this state of tangible personal property which has been manufactured, fabricated, assembled or processed from materials by a person, either within or without this state, for storage, acceptance, consumption or any other use by such person in this state, to be measured by the sales price of materials, at the rate of six per cent of the sales price of such property or services, except, in lieu of said rate of six per cent, (A) at a rate of twelve per cent of the rent paid for occupancy of any room or rooms in a hotel or lodging house for the first period of not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days, (B) with respect to the storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state of a motor vehicle purchased from any retailer for storage, acceptance, consumption or use in this state by any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse of such

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individual at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the sales price of such vehicle, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574, (C) with respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of labor that is otherwise taxable under subdivision (c) or (g) of subsection (2) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax, (D) with respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of computer and data processing services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state occurring on or after July 1, 1997, and prior to July 1, 1998, at the rate of five per cent of such services, on or after July 1, 1998, and prior to July 1, 1999, at the rate of four per cent of such services, on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000, at the rate of three per cent of such services, on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of two per cent of such services, on and after July 1, 2001, and prior to July 1, 2002, at the rate of one per cent of such services and on and after July 1, 2002, such services shall be exempt from such tax, **[**(E) with respect to the acceptance or receipt in this state of patient care services purchased from any retailer for consumption or use in this state occurring on or after July 1, 1999, at the rate of five and threefourths per cent, and (F) and (E) with respect to acceptance of the renovation and repair services of paving of any sort, painting or staining, wallpapering, roofing, siding and exterior sheet metal work, to other than industrial, commercial or income-producing real property, occurring on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000, at the rate of four per cent, with respect to such sales occurring on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of two per cent, and on and after July 1, 2001, sales of such renovation and repair services shall be exempt from such tax.

Sec. 3. Subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes is

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repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

(1) For the privilege of making any sales, as defined in subdivision (2) of section 12-407, at retail, in this state for a consideration, a tax is hereby imposed on all retailers at the rate of six per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail or from the rendering of any services constituting a sale in accordance with subdivision (2) of section 12-407, except, in lieu of said rate of six per cent, (A) at a rate of twelve per cent with respect to each transfer of occupancy, from the total amount of rent received for such occupancy of any room or rooms in a hotel or lodging house for the first period not exceeding thirty consecutive calendar days, (B) with respect to the sale of a motor vehicle to any individual who is a member of the armed forces of the United States and is on full-time active duty in Connecticut and who is considered, under 50 App USC 574, a resident of another state, or to any such individual and the spouse thereof, at a rate of four and one-half per cent of the gross receipts of any retailer from such sales, provided such retailer requires and maintains a declaration by such individual, prescribed as to form by the commissioner and bearing notice to the effect that false statements made in such declaration are punishable, or other evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, concerning the purchaser's state of residence under 50 App USC 574, (C) (i) with respect to the sales of computer and data processing services occurring on or after July 1, 1997, and prior to July 1, 1998, at the rate of five per cent, on or after July 1, 1998, and prior to July 1, 1999, at the rate of four per cent, on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000, at the rate of three per cent, on or after July 1, 2000, and prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of two per cent, on or after July 1, 2001, and prior to July 1, 2002, at the rate of one per cent and on and after July 1, 2002, such services shall be exempt from such tax, (ii) with respect to sales of Internet access services, on and after July 1, 2001, such services shall be exempt from such tax, (D) with respect to the sales of labor that is otherwise taxable under subdivision (c) or (g) of subsection (2) of section 12-407 on existing vessels and repair or maintenance services on vessels occurring on and

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after July 1, 1999, such services shall be exempt from such tax, and (E) with respect to sales of the renovation and repair services of paving of any sort, painting or staining, wallpapering, roofing, siding and exterior sheet metal work, to other than industrial, commercial or income-producing real property, occurring on or after July 1, 1999, and prior to July 1, 2000, at the rate of four per cent, with respect to such sales occurring on or after July 1, 2000, but prior to July 1, 2001, at the rate of two per cent, and on and after July 1, 2001, sales of such renovation and repair services shall be exempt from such tax. [, and (F) with respect to patient care services occurring on or after July 1, 1999, at the rate of five and three-fourths per cent.] The rate of tax imposed by this chapter shall be applicable to all retail sales upon the effective date of such rate, except that a new rate which represents an increase in the rate applicable to the sale shall not apply to any sales transaction wherein a binding sales contract without an escalator clause has been entered into prior to the effective date of the new rate and delivery is made within ninety days after the effective date of the new rate. For the purposes of payment of the tax imposed under this section, any retailer of services taxable under subdivision (2)(i) of section 12-407, who computes taxable income, for purposes of taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, on an accounting basis which recognizes only cash or other valuable consideration actually received as income and who is liable for such tax only due to the rendering of such services may make payments related to such tax for the period during which such income is received, without penalty or interest, without regard to when such service is rendered.

Sec. 4. Each managed care organization, as defined in section 38a-478 of the general statutes, which is under a Medicaid managed care contract with the state shall amend the contract with each of the acute care hospitals with which it has a contract, effective July 1, 2001, to (1) increase the rates paid for inpatient/outpatient hospital services by any amounts attributable to any increase provided for such services in

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- 297 the act concerning the state budget for the biennium ending June 30,
- 298 2003, and (2) pass through directly to each such hospital, the full
- 299 amount of such increase received by the organization from the
- 300 Department of Social Services.
- Sec. 5. Subdivision (5) of section 12-412 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 303 (5) Sales of tangible personal property or services to and by 304 nonprofit charitable hospitals in this state, nonprofit nursing homes, 305 nonprofit rest homes and nonprofit residential care homes licensed by 306 the state pursuant to chapter 368v for the exclusive purposes of such 307 institutions. [except any such service transaction as described in 308 subparagraph (FF) of subdivision (i) of subsection (2) of section 12-309 407.]
- Sec. 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, and shall be applicable to sales occurring on or after said date.

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